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U.S. Border Patrol Anti-Smuggling Agents and Chief Receive U.S. Attorney's "Outstanding Law Enforcement Award & Recognition"

Miami, FL – On July 23, 2002, numerous Federal, State and local agency officials were called together to receive recognition for successful prosecutions of complex criminal conspiracies to include graft by government officials, trafficking of narcotics and espionage.

Among those being recognized were Miami Sector Border Patrol Anti-Smuggling Unit Special Agents Juanita Santana and Jeffrey Shields. Agents Santana and Shields received recognition for their roles in three very successful alien smuggling cases resulting in convictions within the last year. The cases referenced were U.S. v. Roberto Nieves / U.S. v. Antonio Quinones, et al. and U.S. v. Oswald Batista. "The investigative work displayed by these two agents was impeccable," stated Guy Lewis, U.S. Attorney of the Southern District of Florida.

In a surprising and unprecedented move on the part of the Southern District of Florida, U.S. Attorney Guy Lewis, this years Outstanding Law Enforcement Officers (OLEO) Awards culminated with special recognition awards being bestowed on three area law enforcement executives.

At the gathering of over 200 award recipients, family and friends the following were recognized for "Outstanding Law Enforcement Leadership": Miami Sector Chief Patrol Agent Lynne M. Underdown, Miami District FBI Special Agent in Charge Hector Pesquera and Broward County Sheriff Ken Jenne.

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